

## Do We Have Your Current Contact Information?

Help us better serve you by making sure we have your current contact information. If you have changed your telephone number since opening your water utility account, please contact the NRH Water Office at 817-427-6200 to provide updated information. It is important to ensure that the telephone contact information associated with your account is current. City staff may contact you by telephone if:

- a leak is identified at the property that would require water service to be temporarily turned off;
- there is an issue with your account or payment;
- your account becomes delinquent, at which time the City provides notification of a pending service disconnection for non-payment;
- the City sends an informational broadcast to its utility customers related to water service

## 5-Year Garbage & Recycling Contract Approved With Republic

The North Richland Hills City Council approved a new 5-year contract with Republic Services at its December 13, 2021 meeting. The new contract continues providing twice a week take-all service and once a week recycling, and includes several service enhancements.

Beginning February 1, 2022 residents will be able to obtain a landfill voucher on a monthly basis to gain free entry into the landfill. Calls to customer service will no longer be answered by Republic's out of state call center, but will be answered by local Republic representatives with knowledge of the services being provided to North Richland Hills customers. Another change for residents will be the collection of up to ½ cubic yard of flattened boxes placed beside the recycling cart. This service is estimated to begin in summer of 2022 once Republic receives new low hopper style automated/manual recycling vehicles. Watch for more information about these service enhancements in upcoming NRH News & Notes newsletters.

New monthly rates for residents will be \$17.60 with senior citizens paying a discounted rate of \$16.85. Commercial garbage rates can be found on our website at [www.nrhtx.com/rates](http://www.nrhtx.com/rates).

## NRH Street Bond Program Update

The City of North Richland Hills has completed the first two of 27 projects in the 2020 Street Bond Program, with additional projects in the works. Noreast Drive and North Hills Drive were both reconstructed with new asphalt pavement this fall. Prior to the paving work, aging underground water and sewer lines were replaced beneath each street.

The reconstruction of Glenview Drive, Bedford Eules Road and Iron Horse Boulevard east of Rufe Snow are all in the engineering design phase. These projects will go out for construction bids in 2022.

Other bond projects coming up in 2022 will include Diamond Loch West courts, Meadow Oak Drive, Pearl Street and Southampton Drive. Underground utility replacements have already begun on the Diamond Loch West project. Following

the utility work, the roadway will be repaved with a new asphalt surface.

In addition to the bond program projects, 12 streets will receive new asphalt pavement as part of the ongoing Preventive Street Maintenance Program. This includes Amundson Drive, Cardinal Lane, Greendale Court, Laurel Lane, Lewis Court and Rolling Ridge Drive, along with portions of Deville Drive, Holiday Lane, Post Oak Drive and Ruthette Drive. The repaving of portions of Stonybrooke Drive and Onyx Drive South have already been completed.

Watch for updates on North Richland Hills street improvement projects in future city newsletters and on the city's website and social media pages. Questions can be directed to NRH Public Works at 817-427-6400 or by emailing [nrhpw@nrhtx.com](mailto:nrhpw@nrhtx.com).

## Upcoming Events

## Tarrant County Program Helps with Rent and Utilities

Tarrant County's Emergency Rental Assistance Program still has rent and utility assistance available for area residents. The new simplified application is available in English, Spanish and Vietnamese. Residents may be eligible to receive aid regardless of their immigration status. Please visit [www.GetRentHelp.com](http://www.GetRentHelp.com) to check program eligibility and apply for assistance. You can also call 817-850-7940 and select option 1.

## Monthly Good Neighbor Tip: Outdoor Holiday Lights

Did you know outdoor decorative or holiday lighting can be a safety hazard if left outdoors too long? Over time, the exposure to sun and climate changes can cause the plastic and wiring to break and become an electrical and fire hazard. It is a violation of city code to allow temporary electrical power and lighting installations to be installed for more than 90 days. Please be a good neighbor and remove decorative and holiday lighting in a timely manner. In addition to protecting your home, this helps to enhance the appearance of North Richland Hills' neighborhoods. For more information, call 817-427-6663 or visit [www.nrhtx.com/codecompliance](http://www.nrhtx.com/codecompliance).

## Senior Center Offers Variety of Activities for People 55+

Did you know, the NRH Senior Center offers a wide variety of activities and classes for persons age 55 and up? Located at 6000 Hawk Ave. on the west side of the NRH Centre, the Senior Center is the ideal spot to gather with friends and neighbors looking for recreation, health and social activities. To learn more about the Senior Center, stop by Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. or give them a call 817-427-6695.

### New Business Spotlight

#### Dutch Bros Coffee

5205 Rufe Snow Dr., 541-955-4700  
[www.dutchbros.com](http://www.dutchbros.com)

#### Roffi's Mancave Supply

5101 Davis Blvd., Unit C, 817-849-2444

*Support local businesses.  
Shop NRH first!*

## Polar Plunge at NRH2O

NRH2O Family Water Park is hosting the Polar Plunge benefiting Special Olympics Texas and local athletes on **Saturday, Feb. 5**. This event is a unique opportunity for individuals, businesses, and organizations to support Special Olympics Texas area athletes. All money raised helps to provide year-round sports training, competition and programs for local individuals with intellectual disabilities. Visit [www.sotx.org/polarplunge](http://www.sotx.org/polarplunge) for more information.

## Daddy Daughter Dance

Dads, grandpas and uncles are invited to bring their daughters, granddaughters and nieces to the 2022 NRH Daddy Daughter Valentines Dance on **Saturday, Feb. 5**. This special evening will include dancing, refreshments and photographs. Ages 3 to 6 are invited from 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., ages 7 to 10 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., ages 11 to 14 are invited from 8:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. The dance will be held at the Grand Hall at the NRH Centre, 6000 Hawk Avenue. The cost is \$20 per person. Tickets are on sale at [www.nrhcentre.com](http://www.nrhcentre.com). The dance does sell out, so get your tickets early. No tickets will be sold at the door. For more details, please call the NRH Centre at 817-427-6600.

## Low Cost Pet Vaccination Clinic

The NRH Animal Adoption & Rescue Center will host a low cost rabies vaccination clinic from 10 a.m. to noon on **Saturday, Feb. 26** at the center at 7301 Iron Horse Blvd. Rabies vaccinations will be \$5 from the Texas Coalition for Animal Protection. They will also offer core pet vaccinations, heartworm testing, microchipping and heartworm prevention medication. Please visit [www.texasforthem.org](http://www.texasforthem.org) for pricing information.

## Citizen Fire Academy

The Citizens Fire Academy will be held on Thursdays from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. starting **March 3** and continuing through April 28. Participants get hands on demonstrations in basic firefighting techniques, auto extrication, extinguisher use, technical rescue, hazardous materials, and a demonstration of the Bomb Squad's capabilities. The program also includes training in CPR and first aid. There is no cost to participate, but space is limited. Find more information and online registration at [www.nrhtx.com/CFA](http://www.nrhtx.com/CFA). If you have questions, please contact the Fire Department at 817-427-6925.